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LANCER RETAINS LEAD IN WHEAT VARIETIES PLANTED

Lancer held the lead as top ranking variety of wheat planted for the 1970 crop, according to the State-Federal Division of Agricultural Statistics. Scout wheat edged a point closer to the top, but remained in second place. Scout 66 made the biggest percentage gain. The two Scout varieties now hold over 30 percent of the State acreage. Warrior and Gage wheat were tied for third place, and Trapper, a recent newcomer, was sixth with 5.4 percent of the State total, or 143,000 acres. Because or the decrease in acreage planted in 1970, all varieties showed an actual decrease in acreage except Scout 66, Trapper, and Trader varieties.

Former important varieties, such as Ottawa, Cheyenne, Pawnee, Bison and Omaha have faded sharply in recent years. Ottawa, which claimed 21.2 percent of the acreage in 1905, has dropped to 1.8 percent. Omaha, which held 11.2 percent that year, is now at 1.5 percent. Long-time favorite, Cheyenne, is occupying 38,000 acres, or 1.8 percent of the State total.

Lancer is the leading variety in the Panhandle and the other northern Districts. It is leading Scout slightly in the Central District. Lancer is runner-up to Warrior in the southwest counties. Scout wheat has a commanding lead in the South Central District and Gage is top variety in acreage in the East Central District. Scout is also the leader in the Southeast District with 39.4 percent of the total followed by Gage at 30.4 percent.

Scout 66 ranks third in both the South Central and Southeast Districts.

NEBRASKA--WHEAT VARIETIES ESTIMATED PERCENTAGES PLANTED TO EACH VARIETY FOR SELECTED YEARS

Variety	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	 1970
	Pct.						
Lancer		.8	8.3	19.2	29.5	32.3	27.6
Scout		1.4	11.1	21.9	25.1	26.3	22.6
Warrior	22.6	21.9	27.1	20.8	15.0	13.8	12.4
Gage		.7	5.7	12.8	13.2	12.6	12.4
Scout 66					.1	1.3	8.0
Trapper						1.0	5.4
Ottawa	17.4	21.2	16.2	8.3	4.8	3.0	1.8
Cheyenne	12.3	12.2	7.6	3.1	2.3	1.5	1.8
Trader						.6	1.6
Omaha	14.1	11.2	8.8	4.9	3.4	1.7	1.5
Pawnee	12.6	8.2	4.9	2.9	1.9	1.4	1.3
Wichita	3.3	3.8	2.0	1.0	.8	.8	.5
Bison	5.9	6.1	2.5	1.0	•4	.4	•5
Nebred	6.3	7.8	2.2	1.4	• 7	.6	. 4
Triumph	1.4	1.2	.9	.4	.3	.4	.2
Guide					.1	.3	.2
Rodco	1.2	1.1	.7	.3	.3	.2	.1
Ponca,	4	.2	.1			.1	.1
Turkey Red	.1	.3		.2	•1		.1
Other and Unknown	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.0	1.7	1.5

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Variety	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
		Th	ousand	Acre	· s	 -	
Lancer		26	250	688	972	970	737
Scout		.46	334	785	827	786	606
Gage		23	172	459	435	377	335
Warrior	711	717	816	745	495	413	332
Scout 66					3	40	214
Trapper						28	143
Ottawa	547	694	488	297	158	88	48
Trader						18	ītī.
Omaha	444	367	265	176	112	52	40
Cheyenne	387	399	229	111	7 6	45	38
Pawnee	397	268	148	104	63	41	35
Bison	186	200	75	36	13	13	13
Wichita	104	124	60	36	27	26	12
Nebred	198	255	66	50	23	18	11
Guide					3	9	7
Triumph	44	39	27	14	10	13	4
Rodco	38	36	21	11	10	5	3
Ponca	13	7	3			2	
Turkey Red	3	10		7	3		
Other and Unknown	. 7 5	62	57	64	66	55	47
State	3,147	3,273	3,011	3,583	3,296	2,999	2,669

WINTER WHEAT VARIETIES 1970 ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE PLANTED TO EACH VARIETY BY DISTRICTS

District :	Acres Planted	Lan- cer	: :Scout:	War- rior	 Gage	Scout 66	Trap- per	 Otta- wa	Chey- enne	: Omaha:	Pawnee	: Other : and :Unknown
	Thou.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Northwest	727	53.6	5.8	12.2		5.2	15.5		2.0			5.7
N. Central	11	41.3	24.0		. 4	2.9			.6	26.1		4.7
Northeast	18	44.2	8.0		25.3	1.5		2.1		6.3	5.9	6.7
Central	117	33.7	30.6	.3	1.5	7.3	2.0	2.8	.2	10.2	4.0	7.4
E. Central	360	7.5	28.0		44.4	6.6	.1	3.3	.2	3.0	3.1	3.8
Southwest	600	34.4	6.9	40.0	.3	2.3	4.5	.3	3.3	.1	.1	7.8
S. Central	349	15.6	53.9	.8	4.7	14.3	. 2	1.0	.1	2.7	2.4	4.3
Southeast	48 7	1.6	39.4	.1	30.4	16.2		5.5	.1	.7	1.8	4.2
State	2,669	27.6	22.6	12.4	12.4	8.0	5.4	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.3	5.2

WINTER WHEAT VARIETIES 1969 ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE PLANTED TO EACH VARIETY BY DISTRICTS

District	Acres Planted	Lan- cer	:Scout	War-	 Gage	Otta- wa	Omaha	Chey- enne	Paw- nee	Scout	 Trapper	: Other : and :Unknown
	Thou.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Northwest	. 843	65.5	8.2	15.4				2.2		.7	2.6	5.4
N. Central	. 15	51.3	23.0	1.7	.6		16.4		.9	.6	.8	4.7
Northeast	. 17	39.3	13.8		21.6	7.0	12.3		2.3			3.7
Central	. 134	41.2	29.3	2.0	1.3	2.1	10.5	.4	2.4	.6	2.3	7.9
E. Central	400	6.1	31.9		43.9	4.6	3.2	.1	3.6	2.5		4.1
Southwest	663	36.0	11.6	41.3	.2	.3		3.8		.4	.5	5.9
S. Central	385	17.8	61.4	1.3	4.0	3.3	4.3	. 2	2.0	1.1	.1	4.5
Southeast	542	3.0	42.9	. 2	33.0	9.5	.7		2.9	2.9		4.9
State	2,999	32.3	26.3	13.8	12.6	3.0	1.7	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.0	5.1